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- 1. Domingo Piga, suspected Chilean Communist, has made plans to leave Santiago on or about 8 October 1951 for Buenos Aires, to continue from there to Italy, where he will study under a scholarshin granted through UNESCO. He will sail on the SS CONTE GRANDE.
- 2. Piga is treasurer of the Teatro Experimental, a theatrical group with Communist ties, in which he acts, and he is also a director of the Grupo de Arte Continente, a Communist-front organization. It is reported that the scholarship was offered to the Teetro Experimental, which in turn selected Piga because of his ability as an actor and as a theatrical administrator. Piga will be as apparied by Jorge Lillo, who is not known to be a Communist.
- 3. The terms of the scholarship are reported to provide for payment of Piga's expenses during his stay in Italy, but Piga will bear the cost of his transportation to Italy and return. Since he does not possess sufficient funds, friends are planning a party for 5 October 1951 at the Circulo Frances in Santiago, to raise additional funds to cover his travel costs.
- Piga is not believed to be carrying out any mission for the Communist Party of Chile, but source believes that he will contact Communists in Rome and in other European cities that he may visit. He reportedly intends to visit France and Spain, in addition to Italy.

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